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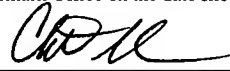
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For: CONFORMABLE TISSUE REPAIR IMPLANT
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WITNESS my hand and seal this 9 day of January, 2004.

By

Francois Binette

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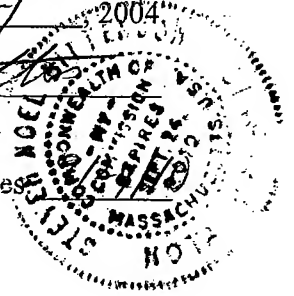
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